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Auspices

Upon the invitation of President Herbert J. Burgstahler of Ohio Wesleyan University, the Division of Foreign Missions of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church decided to organize a study conference on CHRISTIAN BASES OF WORLD ORDER in connection with the 1943 Merrick Lectures at the University. The Division was of the conviction that World Order has a moral and spiritual base so closely related to the World Mission of the Christian Church as to justify the fostering of the Conference by the Division.

Merrick Lectures

These lectures are given each year at the University before faculty, student body, and townsfolk on some topic related to the Christian religion. The twelve lectures for 1943 will be the formal presentation of the chosen topics on the general theme, CHRISTIAN BASES OF WORLD ORDER. The lectures will be published in book form.

The Conference

Two hundred and fifty leaders from Methodism and the larger inter-denominational fellowship will be invited to Delaware, who, with representatives of the University, will constitute the Conference and will be responsible for the discussions and findings. After each lecture in Gray Chapel, the Conference will adjourn to a smaller room for the discussions. Bishop Francis J. McConnell will preside over the Conference and will conduct the discussions.

The Foreign Department of the Woman's Division, the Committee on Ministerial Training, and the Joint Division of Education and Cultivation are cooperating in the project.

Purpose of the Conference

It is hoped that the Conference will not attempt any blue print for the peace table or any detailed programs for either Church or State. The planning committee expects that the lectures, preparatory study groups, and the Conference discussions will result in a series of brief findings which will lift into prominence some of the fundamental issues which are involved in world order. The emphasis will be upon those needs of men and society everywhere which will still be present for solution, whatever the particular form of the political peace. It is not presupposed that a military victory will solve these problems, although it is realized that the major aspects of the peace are being inevitably determined by the conduct of the war. The military victory, however, will create the conditions under which free men can meet these human needs.

The proposed Conference will endeavor to state the Christion principles involved in world order and the place and function of the Christian Church in maintaining it. The Conference therefore will build upon and carry forward the findings of the 1942 Delaware Conference on A JUST AND DURABLE PEACE, held under the auspices of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

The Seminars

Twelve seminars have been organized during the autumn of 1942 in as many centers throughout the country. There is one seminar for each lecture. Each study group consists of 15-20 persons who, under a chairman and in consultation with the lecturer, will study the theme of the lecture.

The Lecturers will state the problem on the topics assigned.

Outlines of the lectures were placed in the hands of the seminar leaders in the autumn of 1942, and furnished the basis of three study group meetings. The seminars will attempt to answer the question, "What does the lecture mean for the message and program of the Church, especially in its overseas work?"

The Program at Delaware

After the delivery of each lecture there will be opportunity for questions to the lecturer. The leader of the seminar which has been studying the problem outlined in the lecture will then present the findings of his group for discussion by the Conference.

The Lecture Schedule

All lectures will be given in Gray Chapel of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio.

MONDAY, MARCH 8

The Introductory Lecture

11 A.M. "The Century of the Common Man"
(To be announced)

I. Fundamental Christian Principles

4 P.M. God and the World We Live In. FRANCIS J. MCCONNELL, Resident Bishop of the Methodist Church in the New York Area.

BISHOP FRANCIS J. MCCONNELL, A.B., Ohio Wesleyan; D.D., Ohio Wesleyan; S.T.B., Boston University; Ph.D., Boston University; D.D., Yale University; LL.D., Wesleyan University and Boston University. After several important pastorates, Bishop McConnell was President of DePauw University, 1909-12; was elected Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church in May 1912. He has been President of the Religious Education Association, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America and the American Association for Social Security. He has been the Lyman Beecher lecturer at Yale and the Barrows lecturer in India and is the author of numerous volumes in the field of philosophy of religion and in the application of Christianity to the social problems of the day.

8 P.M. The Christian Interpretation of Man. WILLIS J. KING, President of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia.

WILLIS J. KING, A.B., Wiley College; S.T.B., Boston University School of Theology, Ph.D., Boston University; D.D., Boston University. After a number of pastorates, he was elected Professor of Old Testament and Christian Sociology in Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia, and has been President of that institution since 1932. He was a fellow of the Julius Rosenwald Fund for Research in Oxford University and in Palestine under the auspices of the American School of Oriental Research. He represented Negro students at the World's Student Christian Federation in Peking, China, in 1922, and was a delegate to the Conference on Life and Work at Oxford in 1937. He is a member of the Atlanta School of Social Work, the American Oriental Society, and the Southern Sociological Society.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

11 A.M. The Christian Interpretation of Nature. EDGAR S. BRIGHTMAN, Professor of Philosophy in Boston University.

EDGAR S. BRIGHTMAN, A.B., Brown University; A.M., Brown University; Litt. D., Brown University; S.T.B., Boston University; Ph.D., Boston University; LL.D., Ohio Wesleyan University; studied in the Universities of Berlin and Marburg, Germany. After professorships in Brown University, Nebraska Wesleyan University, and Wesleyan University, he became Professor of Philosophy in Boston University Graduate School in September, 1918. He has lectured at Harvard University, Lowell Institute, Boston, Duke University, University of Michigan, and is the author of numerous volumes on the philosophy of religion.

4 P.M. The Spiritual Basis of Democracy. UMPHREY LEE, President, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

UMPHREY LEE, A.B., D.D., Trinity University; A.M., Southern Methodist University; studied at Columbia University, and Union Theological Seminary; Ph.D., Columbia University; Litt.D., Southwestern University. After a number of pastorates, Dr. Lee was elected Professor of Homiletics in the School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, and then Dean of the School of Religion and Professor of Church History at Vanderbilt University. Since 1939 he has been President of Southern Methodist University. He is a member of the Medieval Academy of America and the Wesley Historical Society of England. He is the author of a number of volumes especially on John Wesley and the early records of Methodism.

II. Factors in World Order

8 P.M. New Race Issues. G. Baez Camargo, Executive Secretary, National Christian Council of the Evangelical Churches of Mexico.

Gonzalo Baez Camargo is a native of Oaxaca, Mexico. He was educated at the Normal School in Puebla and in the Union Theological Seminary of Mexico City. Formerly Professor and Vice-President of the Mexican Methodist Institute, Puebla, Mexico. He is also General Secretary of Christian Education for Mexico and Manager of the Union Publishing House in Mexico City. Author of *Hacia la Renovación Religiosa en Hispanoamérica,* (1933), *Principios y Método de la Educación Cristiana* (1933), Co-author of *Religion in the Republic of Mexico* (1935).

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

11 A.M. Postwar World Economy. John B. Condliffe, Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley.

John B. Condliffe is a native of New Zealand. M.A. and D. Sc., Canterbury University College, New Zealand; studied in Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge; LL.D., Occidental College. Professor of Economics, Canterbury College; Research Secretary, Institute of Pacific Relations; Professor of Economics, University of Michigan; Member of the Secretariat, League of Nations; Professor of Commerce, University of London; Rapporteur, International Chamber of Commerce and International Studies Conference; and Chairman of the International Research Committee of the Institute of Pacific Relations. Author of numerous publications on economics and world trade.

4 P.M. The Land and Human Welfare. Bjarne Braatoy, Chief Intelligence Officer in the Planning Division of the Office of War Information of the Government of the United States of America.

Dr. Braatoy was born in the United States and moved to Norway in 1908. After two spells at sea, he studied law in Oslo, Berlin, and Paris. Ph.D., London University. Journalistic and research work in international affairs in Berlin, Geneva, Paris, and London. After several years as a newspaper correspondent in Europe, he did lecturing in various countries of Europe and broadcasting from London, Copenhagen, and New York on various aspects of international, political and economic organization. Public Relations Officer of the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission in New York; Co-editor of "New Europe"; Acting Norwegian representative on the Inter-Allied Information Committee, and lecturer for the Foreign Policy Association; now President of the League for Industrial Democracy.

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

11 A.M. Politics and Human Welfare. VERA MICHELES DEAN, Research Director of the Foreign Policy Association, New York City.

Mrs. Dean is a graduate of Radcliffe College, with a master's degree in international law from Yale and a Ph.D. from Radcliffe. Since 1928, she has been a member of the Foreign Policy Association research staff specializing in Russian and Italian affairs and problems of European diplomacy. She edits all the Association's research publications and has written many of them herself. Her most recent reports and pamphlets include "The U.S.S.R. and Japan," "Toward a New World Order," "European Agreements for Post-War Reconstruction," "The Struggle for World Order," and "Russia at War."

4 P.M. The Health of the World Community. CHARLES-EDWARD A. WINSLOW, M.D., Professor of Public Health, Yale Medical School, New Haven, Conn.

CHARLES-EDWARD A. WINSLOW, M.D.; B.S., Massachusetts Institute of Technology; M. S., Massachusetts Institute of Technology; A. M., Yale; Doctor of Public Health, New York University. After various professorships in sanitation and related problems, Dr. Winslow was curator of public health for the American Museum of Natural History, New York from 1910-22. He was director of the Division of Public Health Education of the New York State Department of Health, 1914-15, and has been Professor of Public Health in Yale Medical School since 1915. He has been a member of the Board of Scientific Directors of the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation, a member of the American Red Cross Mission to Russia, General Medical Director of the League of Red Cross Societies in Geneva, Expert Assessor of the Health Committee of the League of Nations, and Chairman of the Housing Authority of New Haven, Connecticut. He is the author of numerous volumes on various aspects of public health.

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

11 A.M. Christianity and the Workers of the World. CARTER GOODRICH, Professor of Economics, Columbia University, New York City.

CARTER GOODRICH, A.B., Amherst College; Ph.D., University of Chicago. After teaching economics in the University of Michigan, 1922-31, Dr. Goodrich became Professor of Economics at Columbia University. During 1934-36, he directed a study of population redistribution through the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He was United States Labor Commissioner at Geneva, Switzerland, 1936-40, and was the United

States member of the governing body of the International Labor Office and has been its chairman since 1939. He has been a delegate to numerous international labor conferences and has been special assistant to the American Ambassador to Great Britain since 1941. He is the author of many volumes on the labor problem and related subjects.

4 P.M. Human Character and World Order. REINHOLD SCHAIRER, Visiting Professor of Education, New York University.

Dr. Schairer was born in Germany and is now a British subject. He pursued his studies in law, education, philosophy, and sociology at the Universities of Tuebingen, Geneva and Berlin. LL.D., Tuebingen; Director of Danish-German University Commission for the education of prisoners of war in Russia and Siberia, and Director of the Red Cross agency for prisoners-of-war welfare in Copenhagen during the first World War; Founder and Executive Director of the Central Office of the German Universities for the selection and welfare of gifted students; Executive Director of the German Universities Central Loan Bank and of the Scholarship Foundations of the German people; Founder and Director of the German Universities Office for foreign relations; Research Director of the German Republic in questions of youth unemployment. Lecturer in the Institute of Education, London University, and head of its Department for International Studies and Relations in the Institute of Education; Member of the British Committee on Educational Reconstruction. He is now in the United States on a Rockefeller Scholarship to study American education and is the Director of Research of the United States Committee on Educational Reconstruction.

Entertainment in Delaware

The delegates will be housed in fraternity houses and in the homes of Delaware. The University, the business section of the city, and the residential parts of Delaware are closely adjacent. It is a compact, small city in which it is not difficult to find one's way around. Meals will be served to the entire delegation in two of the city's restaurants.

Inclusive Expense

In Delaware, the total expense for each delegate will be $15, which will include payment for room in a home and three meals a day in one of the restaurants. It also includes the conference fee of $3. The meals begin with lunch, Monday noon,

March 8 and close with lunch on Friday noon, March 12. For the conference fee, each delegate will be provided with the preliminary papers, copies of the findings of all the seminars and the published, cloth-bound volume of the lectures and findings. *There will be no reduction for part-time attendance.* The above rate can be offered only on the basis of a full-time attendance on the part of each delegate. This all-inclusive fee of $15 will be payable in advance at the time of registration in Delaware. *Make checks payable* to C. R. Woodruff, Assistant Treasurer.

Railroad Connections

Delaware is situated on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway between Columbus and Toledo and the New York Central Lines (Big Four) between Columbus and Cleveland. It is twenty-five miles north of Columbus, with frequent train and bus service.

Registration

The attendance is limited to 250 persons outside of Delaware. Delegates will be invited by the Chairman, Bishop Francis J. McConnell, with the approval of the committee in charge. Registration cards will be issued in the order of the receipt of responses to the invitation.

Correspondence

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THE SEMINARS

BALTIMORE, Md.—The Century of the Common Man

Leader: Dr. Harold Bosley, Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md.

CLEVELAND, Ohio—God and the World We Live In

Leader: Professor Clarence T. Craig, The Graduate School of Theology, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

ATLANTA, Ga.—The Christian Interpretation of Man

Leader: Professor Leroy E. Loemker, Emory University, Emory University, Ga.

MINNEAPOLIS and ST. PAUL, Minn.—The Christian Interpretation of Nature

Leader: Professor Miron A. Morrill, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—The Spiritual Basis of Democracy

Leader: Professor Earl Cranston, University of Redlands, Redlands, Calif.

CHICAGO, Ill.—New Race Issues

Leader: Professor Edmund D. Soper, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill.

DALLAS, Texas—Postwar World Economy

Leader: Dean Eugene B. Hawk, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

DURHAM, N. C.—The Land and Human Welfare

Leader: Professor J. M. Ormond, Divinity School, Duke University, Durham, N. C.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Politics and Human Welfare

Leader: Dean John K. Benton, School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The Health of the World Community

Leader: Dr. Edward H. Hume, Director, Christian Medical Council for Overseas Work, New York, N. Y.

BOSTON, Mass.—Christianity and the Workers of the World

Leader: Dr. L. O. Hartman, Editor, Zions Herald, Boston, Mass.

MADISON, N. J.—Human Character and World Order

Leader: Professor J. V. Thompson, Drew University, Madison, N. J.